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1. The attached maps show the course followed by the two pipe lines from Astrakhan to Kazan.
2. The stretch from Astrakhan to Saratow has been in use since 1942 and is about 750 km. long.
3. From the Tiflis oil fields gasoline was transported to Machatshkala; from there it is loaded on tankers and brought to Astrakhan.
4. The towns marked on the map from Astrakhan to Saratow are supposedly pumping stations.
5. From Saratow to Kazan the only known pumping station is located at Kusnezsk.
6. From Astrakhan to Saratow the pipe line crosses the Volga River twice, once at Steroglasinskaja and again at Engels, crossing over to Saratow. The new line from Saratow to Kazan has been in use since 1945.
7. The newer section from Saratow to Kazan, 480 km., is made out of cast iron; the inside is noncorrosive. The circumference is about one meter; it is oval shaped; the narrowest diameter is about 25 cm.. The upper part of the pipe is buried approximately 30 cm. underground on level ground; this depth varies, however, in hilly country.

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